

MINUTES OF HAMILTON COUNTY COUNCIL, APRIL 12, 2006
GENERALIZED SUMMARY

The Hamilton County Council met in Executive session at 5:35 p.m. in Conference Room 1A pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(2)(B) Pending Litigation. Members present included Councilors Brad Beaver, Jim Belden, Judy Levine, Meredith Carter, John Hiatt, Auditor, Robin Mills, Sheriff, Doug Carter, Council Attorney, John Culp, and Chief Deputy Auditor, Dawn Coverdale. The Executive Session was adjourned at 5:47 p.m.

Councilor Beaver called to order the Special Work Session at 5:55:35 p.m. those attending included Councilors Judy Levine, John Hiatt, Brad Beaver, Jim Belden, Meredith Carter, Rick McKinney, Auditor, Robin Mills, Chief Deputy Auditor, Dawn Coverdale, Council Attorney, John Culp and Sheriff, Doug Carter. Purpose of the work session was to review financial status of Hamilton County. Financial consultant Mike Reuter presented a revised Fiscal Plan.

Following are the changes to assumptions in revised plan:

- 1) General Fund – Includes Election Budget of \$600,000 in 2007
- 2) Uses of Special COIT Revenue
 - a. \$1,500,000 allocated to ISS for computers/ software
 - b. \$ 900,000 to Highway which is in addition to \$900,000 received from refunding money.
 - c. \$1,000,000 allocation to Parking
 - d. \$1,000,000 allocation to Parks [No Park Bond]
- 3) Accounts for new Juvenile Detention Center and operating expenses which net increase is \$2,263,000. Anticipated this expense will be offset by external revenues. Actual anticipated costs to county will be \$1,000,000.00
- 4) Plan builds in appeal for new Juvenile Services Center. Preliminary meeting was held between Sheriff's Department and Mike Howard concerning meeting criteria. Built in appeal for \$2,263,000.
- 5) Includes 15 new positions at \$50,000 each. Non-criminal justice employees, criminal justice employees will be handled in appeal. Criminal Justice includes Court, Jail, Juvenile, Prosecutor, and Probation.
- 6) Includes \$330,000 annually for Sheriff Cars
- 7) Sheriff cameras will come from CCD in 2006
- 8) Superior Court 6 expenses has been built in, assumed expense would be appealed in amount of \$847,000. Amount used is from memo provided to Council from Polly Pearce.
- 9) Will be appealing for three items this year. Growth Factor, Superior Court 6, Jail.
- 10) Includes anticipated major moves revenue of \$973,000 for two years which has been built into Highway Fund.
- 11) Moving all eligible employees to mid-point. Estimated cost of \$818,000.
- 12) Fiscal plan includes loss of inventory tax. Estimating 5% loss of assessed value.
- 13) Assessed valuation does not include \$10,000 increase of Homestead Deduction. This loss in AV could be offset by trending.

If bonds were issued for Jail Construction, the earliest it would be reflected on tax rolls is 2009.

No appeal and no jail bond, General Fund budget out of budget by \$5,079,638 in 2007 and \$4,282,527 in 2008.

Consensus of Council (at least 4 votes):

1. Go forward with Jail Bond at \$44,000,000
2. Moving eligible employees to mid-point
3. 15 new hires: non criminal justice
4. Highway \$1,800,000 [\$900,000 from Special COIT and \$900,000 from refunding bond] This money available in 2006
5. Parking: Committee of Beaver & Schwartz. \$1,000,000
6. Car & Camera's for Sheriff from CCD
7. ISSD- \$1,500,000
8. Parks \$1,000,000 cash, no bond

Work session adjourned 6:57:39 p.m.

Vice President Beaver called to order the Regular meeting of the Hamilton County Council at 7:12:52 p.m. Those in attendance were Councilors Rick McKinney, Judy Levine, Meredith Carter, John Hiatt, Jim Belden, and Brad Beaver. Councilor Schwartz was not in attendance. A quorum was declared by Auditor Mills.

Councilor Beaver gave the invocation and led the pledge of allegiance.

[7:14:21] Councilor Belden moved to approve minutes of February 22, 2006 and March 1, 2006. Councilor Levine seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

PUBLIC COMMENTS None

COMMITTEE / OFFICER REPORT [7:14:49]

President: None

Vice President: Date for final adoption of budget is September 18, 2006. Requested change from evening adoption to morning. Time set for 8:00 a.m. in Conference Room 1A. Reminded everyone budget instructions for 2007 have to be issued at next months meeting.

Highway: Councilor McKinney stated committee did meet and most topics discussed will be on this evenings agenda.

Finance: Councilor Carter reported everything covered during work session. Councilor Beaver stated committee has met since last Council meeting and further discussed capital projects & 2007 budgets.

Personnel: Councilor Carter reported committee met. Minutes were sent to councilors. Housekeeping items on tonights agenda.

MISCELLANEOUS [7:18:03]

Councilor Levine announced Mr. Tom Lamb, Council appointment to the Hamilton County Visitors and Convention Commission has resigned due to relocating to Seattle. Councilor Levine moved to appoint Jack D. Holforthy as Mr. Lamb's replacement. Councilor Carter seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

COMMISSIONER UPDATE [7:43:20] Commissioner Altman reported

- The Commissioners had a presentation from the Health Department and Riverview Hospital with respect to planning for Homeland Security and pandemic planning and would be willing to set up same presentation for Council if they are interested. Commissioners would like to request funding, in the future, for public service announcements once the plans are finalized, to help with executing these plans.

Councilor Levine asked about status of COIT. Commissioner Altman stated materials are still being received from the state and she thought there has been some shift of the COIT issue. Councilor McKinney stated his concerns on spending unnecessary monies.

Councilor Levine also asked about the port authority documents and requested Commissioner Altman prod County Attorney.

Councilor Beaver informed Commissioner Altman of the newly formed parking committee consisting of Councilors Beaver and Schwartz and there is money set aside for parking issues. Commissioner Altman stated Mr. Howard has been directed to begin the vacation of the road on the south side of the south lot. The Surveyor and Highway has committed to do drawings on the elevation. The demo contract is in place and anticipate the structures being raised within the next two weeks.

UNFINISHED/TABLED BUSINESS [7:19:24]

Councilor Belden moved to untable all items. Councilor Levine seconded motion. Motion to untable carried (6-0).

Councilor Belden moved to approve Storm Water Phase II additional appropriations of \$4,873 in 384.000.000.4004 Computer Hardware, \$56,273 in 384.000.000.3603 Training and \$960 in 384.000.000.3301 Telephone and the reduction of \$184,083 in 384.000.000.3713 Other Contractual Services. Councilor McKinney seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

Councilor Belden moved to approve drainage board additional of \$1,500 in 101.021.000.3502 legal notices. Councilor Hiatt seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

NEW BUSINESS

[7:22:17] Hoosier Tradewinds

Councilor McKinney moved to approve letter of support for Hoosier Tradewinds and Tradewinds Technologies. Councilor Levine seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

[7:31:10] Councilor Belden moved to reduce mileage to .44 cents per mile. Councilor Levine seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

[7:31:39] Councilor Belden moved to accept CF-1 PSI Energy Riverwood. Councilor Levine seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

[7:33:02] Councilor Levine moved to approve Resolution 03-27-06-02 "A Resolution Of The Board Of Commissioners Of Hamilton County Authorizing The Execution Of An Interlocal Agreement (146th Street Project). Councilor Hiatt seconded motion.

Councilor McKinney moved to table Resolution 03-27-06-02. Councilor Levine seconded motion. Motion tabled (6-0). General consensus of council to proceed with project as long as COIT money will not be used.

[7:53:45] Councilor Belden moved to approve Auditor's 144 amendment for new position Settlement Deputy, COMOT E at \$29,079 and additional appropriation requests of \$19,013 in 101.003.000.1025 Settlement Deputy and \$2,000 in 101.003.000.1300 Part time. Councilor Hiatt seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

[7:54:19] Councilor Belden moved to approve Clerk additional appropriation of \$40,000 in Part time. Councilor Levine seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

[7:54:50] Councilor Hiatt moved to approve Council additional appropriation request of \$2,000 in 101.015.000.3607 Legal Representation. Councilor Levine seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

[7:55:02] Councilor Belden moved to approve Court Administration 144 amendment of position 1307 Commissioner Superior Courts 2,4,5 at \$67,682 and additional appropriation of \$23,728 in 101.018.000.1307 Commissioner. Councilor Levine seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

[7:55:20] Councilor Levine moved to approve Jail additional appropriation of \$65,000 in 101.027.000.1407 Overtime; \$30,000 in 101.027.000.2020 Institutional; \$90,000 in 101.027.000.3302 Electricity; \$250,000 in 101.027.000.3702 Food; \$7,800 in 101.027.000.3705 Dental Care; \$13,000 in 101.027.000.3706 Inmate Counseling; and \$140,000 in 101.027.000.3704 Medical Services. Councilor Belden seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

[7:55:51] Councilor Belden moved to approve Prosecutors Interlocal agreement with Carmel, 2006 Pay Scale, 144 Amendment to 101.031.000.1303 PT Deputy Prosecutor, Carmel at \$30,000; 101.031.000.1003 D Swift, DPF at \$48,796; 101.031.000.1004 J Wehmuller, DPF at \$82,875; 101.031.000.1008 R Hodapp-Gillman, DPF at \$48,796 and additional appropriations of \$19,616 in 101.031.000.1303 PT DPA, Carmel; \$1,800 in 101.031.000.4004 Computer Hardware; \$5,019 in 101.031.000.1003 D Swift; \$4,414 in 101.031.000.1004 J Wehmuller; and \$2,074 in 101.031.000.1008 R Hodapp-Gillman. Councilor Levine seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

[7:56:40] Councilor Belden moved to approve Prosecutor IV-D 144 amendment to 101.033.000.1007 C Cavanaugh, DPF at \$48,796 and additional appropriation of \$8,796 in 101.033.000.1007 C. Cavanaugh. Councilor Levine seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

[7:56:59] Councilor Belden moved to approve Sheriff 144 amendment to position 101.037.000.1008, Jamison, POLE D at \$38,265. Councilor Hiatt seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

[7:57:28] Councilor Levine moved to approve Superior Court 2 reduction of \$23,728 in 101.040.000.1306 Commissioner. Councilor Hiatt seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

[7:57:38] Councilor Belden moved to approve Weights & Measures additional appropriation request of \$3,500 in 101.053.000.1300 part time. Councilor Hiatt seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

[7:58:18] Councilor Belden moved to approve Washington Township Assessor additional appropriation request of \$404.00 in 101.060.000.1003 Field Appraiser. Councilor Levine seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

[7:58:35] Councilor Belden moved to approve Highway 144 amendment to 102.000.000.1021 J. Thurman, Project Manager at \$85,657 and transfer of \$5,382.00 from 102.000.000.1002 Engineer to 102.000.000.1021 Project Manager. Councilor Hiatt seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

[7:58:56] Councilor Levine moved to approve Health Fund 144 amendment to 105.000.000.1010 S Schnabel, HHW Senior Operator, PAT B at \$35,262; 105.000.000.1024 New Position, HHW Safety & Technical Operator, PAT B at \$43,099 and additional appropriation request of \$2,004 in 105.000.000.1010 HHW Senior Operator; \$28,180 in 105.000.000.1024 HHW Safety & Technical; \$2,310 in 105.000.000.1401 Social Security; \$16,597 in 105.000.000.1402 Group Insurance; and \$2,792 in 105.000.000.1403 Perf. Councilor Belden seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

[7:59:17] Councilor Levine moved to approve Parks additional appropriation of \$75,000 in 106.000.000.1302 Laborers. Councilor Belden seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

[8:00:02] Councilor McKinney moved to approve 146th Street Construction Fund 161 transfer of \$112,656.19 into 161.000.000.3880 Carey to Oak Ridge from \$515.73 161.000.000.3833 CN & Contingency; \$112,140.39 from 161.000.000.3834 146th Street Const 2 CN and \$.07 from 161.000.000.3897 Issuance Cost. Councilor Belden seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

8:05 Councilor Hiatt had to leave meeting

[8:04:46] Councilor Levine moved to approve Animal Control Bond additional appropriation of \$106,470.00 in 171.000.000.3642 Construction/Contingency. Councilor McKinney seconded motion. Motion carried (4-1) with Councilor Beaver against.

[8:11:35] Councilor Levine moved to approve 2005 HCRD Thomson TIF Refunding Bond transfer of \$311,360.00 from Right of Way Acquisition to 180.000.000.3834 Design Costs. Councilor Belden seconded motion. Motion carried (5-0).

[8:11:52] Councilor Levine moved to approve COIT Refunding Bond Fund 183 additional appropriation of \$450,000.00 in 183.000.000.3831 Construction Small Structure #33032 \$250,000.00 and Intersection 106th & Springmill \$200,000.00. Councilor Belden seconded motion. Motion carried (5-0).

[8:12:38] Councilor Belden moved to approve Thomson TIF Capital Fund additional appropriation of \$518,000.00 in 204.102.000.3225 Intersection of 106th & Springmill. Councilor McKinney seconded motion. Motion carried (5-0).

[8:13:07] Councilor Belden resolved to approve Thomson TIF Capital Fund additional appropriation of \$100,000.00. \$50,000.00 in 204.002.000.4080 Crack Seal Repair and \$50,000.00 in 204.002.000.4079 Master Drainage. Councilor Levine seconded motion. Motion carried (5-0).

[8:24:02] Councilor Belden moved to approve Guardian Ad Litem additional appropriation of \$6,570.00 in 257.000.000.1320 Guardian Ad Litem Fee Fund. Councilor Levine seconded motion. Motion carried (5-0).

[8:24:11] Councilor Carter moved to approve Capital Project COIT Fund additional appropriation of \$195,000. \$75,000 in 276.000.000.3881 Thoroughfare Plan Review and \$120,000 in 276.000.000.3722 Small Structure Replacement/Inspection. Councilor McKinney seconded motion. Motion carried (5-0).

[8:25:10] Councilor Carter moved to approve Highway COIT Fund 283 additional appropriation of \$240,000.00 in 146th Street Ext.- Engineering. Councilor Levine seconded motion. Motion carried (5-0).

[8:25:33] Councilor Carter moved to approve Probation User Fees 316 additional appropriation of \$55,000 in 316.000.000.3851 Juvenile Accountability Supplement. Councilor Levine seconded motion. Motion carried (5-0).

[8:26:04] Councilor Levine moved to approve Jail Detention Fund 358 additional appropriation of \$160,800.00 in 358.000.000.3851 Supplement. Councilor Belden seconded motion. Motion carried (5-0).

[8:26:26] Councilor Carter moved to approve Clerk Perpetuation Fund 363 additional appropriation of \$40,000 in 363.000.000.3851 Supplement. Councilor Belden seconded motion. Motion carried (5-0).

ANNOUNCEMENTS / COMMENTS: 8:27:04
SHERIFF COMMENTS

- Stated questions still remain about jail building project and offered to meet anytime and anyplace to answer questions.

AUDITOR’S COMMENTS

- Presented claims for approval. Councilor Belden moved to approve claims. Councilor Levine seconded motion. Motion carried (5-0).
- Presented revised copies of Personnel Policy updates.

ATTORNEY COMMENTS: None

[8:30:12] Meeting adjourned.

Those present:

BJ Casali, ISSD
Barry McNulty, Health
Joel Thurman, Highway
Tammy Baitz, Clerk
Derek Wilson, Student
Ceri Daite, Scout Badge
Sonia Leerkamp, Prosecutor
Casie Ziegler, Student
Ebony Roberts, Student
Shabriel Rivers, Student
Farah Sayyah, Student
Ben Cook, Hoosier Tradewinds
Jeff Burt, HC Alliance
Jeffrey Wehmuller, Prosector

Heather Koglin, Student
Stephen Wood, Solid Waste
Brad Davis, Highway
Ollie Schierholz, Court Adm
Chris Sikich, Ledger
Shelley DeReu, Scout Badge
Eric Virgilio, Student
Amy Roose, Student
Jasmine Johnson, Student
Rachel Mathiao, Student
Tim Cook, Hoosier Tradewinds
Stephanie Smith, Prosecutor Ofc
Madonna Wagoner, Probation

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